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March 16, 1992

Mr. Frederick D. Fox Director, Environmental Affairs Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation P.O. Box 525 Bingham Canyon, Utah 84006-0525

Dear Mr. Fox:

Re: Request for Updated Reclamation Surety Amount, Kennecott Utah Copper (KUC), Pine Canyon Reclamation Project, M/045/004, Tooele County, Utah

The Division has completed its evaluation of the supplemental surety information which was provided by KUC in response to our February 5, 1992 deficiency letter. The supplemental information has been determined complete. However, due to an earlier oversight, we failed to indicate in our February 5th letter that the \$72,400 surety amount is not sufficient to cover projected reclamation costs at the Pine Canyon Mine.

The \$72,400 dollar amount was calculated in 1990 by KUC in response to the Division's October 24, 1989 tentative approval of the Pine Canyon final reclamation proposal. In an April 10, 1990, response (copy attached), the Division indicated that the reclamation surety dollar amount would need to be escalated into 1995 dollars which amounted to \$84,800. Because two years have passed since that earlier estimate was calculated, a revised estimate in 1997 dollars has been prepared (copy attached). The escalation factor has changed since our 1990 calculation which effectively reduces the required surety amount to \$82,400 (1997 dollars).

Should KUC choose to stay with the current Irrevocable Letter of Credit (ILOC), as the preferred form of surety, then a rider to the current ILOC would be acceptable to the Division. If acceptable to your legal counsel, we will revise the Reclamation Contract (FORM MR-RC) to reflect the change in dollar amount, thereby eliminating the need to fill out a new form.

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We have also noted that the required corporate signature has not been completed on page 5 of 9, of the Reclamation Contract form. We are returning this page for the appropriate signature.

We appreciate you continued cooperation and understanding in this regard. We anticipate seeking the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining's approval of the amount and form of surety, during the April 22, 1992 hearing. To meet this timeframe we will need to have all of the revised information from KUC no later than April 8, 1992. Please contact me directly should you have remaining questions or concerns in this matter.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg

Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program

attachments

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cc: Lowell Braxton, DOGM

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Reclamation Estimate
Kennecott Utah Copper

Pine Canyon Mine Tooele County

(Revised 3/17/92) M/045/004

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<u>Description</u>	Quantity	<u>Unit</u>	\$/Unit	Cost(\$)			
Flume Removal	10,210	LF	2.00	20,420			
Waste Rock Removal	500	CY	5.00	2,500			
Power Pole Demolition	30	pole	180.00	5,400			
Railroad Track Demolition	500	ft	13.80	6,900			
Construct Retention Berms	2,892	CY	1.31	3,789			
Construct Portal Bulkhead	18	LF	105.00	1,890			
Backfill Portal	595	CY	3.16	1,880			
Concrete Box Demolition	256	SF	13.20	3,379			
Cover Ripped Pad Area w/12" Topsoil	200	CY	3.16	632			
Headframe Openings & Hardware			sum	4,000			
Scarify the Area	6.5	acre	120.00	780			
Apply Fertilizer	6.5	acre	700.00	4,550			
Seed the Area	6.5	acre	490.00	3,185			
Apply Mulch	6.5	acre	870.00	5,655			
Apply Urea	6.5	acre	290.00	1,885			
Riprap	22	CY	44.00	968			
Monitor the Area for 3 Years	12	day	160.00	1,920			
Miscellaneous Projects Not Listed			sum	600			
SUBTOTAL			\L	70,333			
+10% CONTINGENCY			7,033				
SUBTOTAL							
ESCALATION (1.27% FOR 5 YRS) 5,03							
TOTAL 82,405							
ROUNDED TOTAL (1997–\$) 82,400							

Miscellaneous Projects Not Listed

Flume backfill

Demolition of boxes & pipe along flume

Construction of tunnel discharge channel

Ripping pad area near portal

Constructing asphalt water bar

Crimping the applied mulch

Erosion control mats for berm spillways

from forfeiture of the Surety Contract, upon completion of reclamation and compliance with this Contract, shall be returned to the rightful claimant.

- 13. This Contract including the Notice of Intention, as amended and the Reclamation Plan, as amended, represents the entire agreement of the parties involved, and any modification must be approved in writing by the parties involved.
- 14. Each signatory below represents that he/she is authorized to execute this Contract on behalf of the named party.

SO AGREED this	_ day of	, 19
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Operator	Corporate Signature,	
AND APPROVED AS TO FORM	Corporate signature required here (do not fill in the date please	-))
	date please	
BY		
James W. Carter, Chairn Utah State Board of Oil,	Note: please see affached alterna	ative
	sheet page sof	a ·

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Operator Signature	Date	
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James W. Carter, Chairman		Kennecott may choose
Utah State Board of Oil, Gas and	Mining	the original page 50/9. It has been revised to eliminate "confusion" over who fills in the a date on "older" page 500
Page 5 of 9		Either signed page would be acceptable to DOGM.

Form MR-RC